

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC COMMENT
PAMUNKEY RIVER BASIN TMDLS

The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) and the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) seek written and oral comments from interested persons on the development of Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs) to address water quality impairments of specific stream segments in the following eight watersheds: Pamunkey River, South Anna River, Totopotomoy Creek, Newfound River, Taylor's Creek, Black's Creek, Monquin Creek/Webb Creek and Northeast Creek. The subject stream segments, all in the Pamunkey River Basin, are identified in Virginia's 2004 305(b)/303(d) *Report on Impaired Waters* as impaired due to exceedances of the State's water quality criterion for fecal coliform bacteria.

Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and §62.1-44.19:7.C of the Code of Virginia require DEQ to develop TMDLs for pollutants responsible for each impaired water contained in Virginia's 303(d) list.

The impaired stream segments are located in Hanover, King William, Louisa, New Kent, Orange, and Spotsylvania counties, as set forth in the table below.

Stream	County/City	Length (mi.)	Impairment
Pamunkey River	King William, New Kent	0.84 square miles	Bacteria
Black's Creek	New Kent	2.61	Bacteria
Monquin Creek, Webb Creek	King William	11.83	Bacteria
Totopotomoy Creek	Hanover	9.6	Bacteria
South Anna River	Hanover	22.22	Bacteria

Newfound River	Hanover	10.61	Bacteria
South Anna River	Hanover	4.63	Bacteria
Taylor's Creek	Louisa	16.26	Bacteria
South Anna River	Louisa	6.27	Bacteria
South Anna River	Orange, Louisa	7.0	Bacteria
Northeast Creek	Spotsylvania	1.04	Bacteria

The final series of public meetings on the Pamunkey Basin TMDLs development will be held

Wednesday, March 22, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at the Eastern Hanover Volunteer Company #3

meeting room, located at 4428 Mechanicsville Turnpike, Mechanicsville, VA; and on **Thursday,**

March 23 at 7:00 p.m. in the main level public meeting room at the Louisa County Government

Center; 1 Woolfolk Avenue, Louisa, VA.

In case of inclement weather, the March 22, 2006 meeting will be held on March 29th; the March 23, 2006 meeting will be held on March 30th.

The public comment period for this phase of the TMDL study will begin on March 20, 2006, and end on April 19, 2006. Fact Sheets on the development of the TMDLs for the impairments referenced above are available upon request, or at <http://www.deq.virginia.gov/tmdl/>. Questions or information requests should be addressed to Chris French for Spotsylvania, Hanover, King William and New Kent counties; or Bryant Thomas for questions relating to Orange and Louisa counties. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person submitting the comments and should be sent to:

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